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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION  
JSC WHITE SANDS TEST FACILITY (WSTF)


RECOMMENDATION AND DETERMINATION TO SOLICIT FROM ONE SOURCE

I recommend that NASA JSC WHITE SANDS TEST FACILITY (WSTF) negotiate with Moreno Cardenas, Inc. (MCI) only for Site Inspection and Engineering Services (SIES) for the construction project to construct the Sanitary Sewer System Upgrades. The total estimated cost of this effort is \$90,000 and the estimated period of performance will be for the duration of the SSSU Project, from 6-2011 through 6-2012.

This recommendation is made pursuant to FAR 19.106, for the acquisition of supplies or services determined to be reasonably available from only one source. Competition is impractical for the following reasons:

1. MCI is the Designer of Record for the SSSU Project. Using input and requirements provided by NASA/WSTF, they performed the project planning and design, and generated the project construction drawings and specifications. In doing so, they selected and identified the particular and unique material, equipment, and controls necessary to produce a system that performs as NASA/WSTF requires. The construction phase of the project requires the construction contractor to provide submittals attesting to the suitability of the material, equipment, and controls they plan to use in constructing the project. MCI, as the Designer of Record, is the only firm qualified to review and recommend approval of the contractor submittals during the construction process.
2. The New Mexico Environmental Department (NMED) requires that the design drawings be stamped by a State of New Mexico Registered Professional Engineer, and undergo an NMED review and approval prior to construction. MCI, by virtue of having performed the design, was the only entity legally qualified to provide the stamped set of drawings for NMED review. The NMED has reviewed and approved the construction drawings & specifications produced by MCI. The NMED further requires that upon completion of the construction project, a set of as-built drawings with the Professional Engineer stamp be provided for review and approval prior to putting the upgraded system into service. MCI, having provided the original design and Professional Engineer stamped drawings, is the only firm qualified to provide the subsequent as-built drawings and affix the necessary Professional Engineer stamp for resubmittal to the NMED.

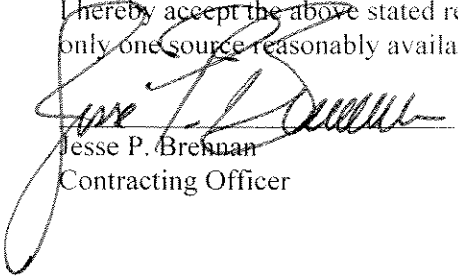
Pursuant to NFS 1805.207 and 1804.570, this proposed contract action will be published on the NASA Acquisition Internet Service (NAIS) and pursuant to FAR 5.201, this proposed contract action will be synopsisized in the Governmentwide Point of Entry. The results received in writing will be added to this document by addendum.



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5-17-11  
Date

I hereby accept the above stated recommendation and determine that the circumstances of the contract action deem only one source reasonably available.



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Contracting Officer

6/2/11  
Date